

ALEXANDRIA TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
Special Budget Meeting
Minutes
April 6, 2016

This meeting was advertised in The Hunterdon County Democrat, notice posted in the Alexandria Township Municipal Offices and the Alexandria Township Website (www.alexandrianj.gov) as required by the Open Public Meetings Act.

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Committeewoman Garay, Committeeman Abraham, Mayor Pfefferle

ABSENT: None

FLAG SALUTE:

NEW BUSINESS:

None

OLD BUSINESS:

- Budget Work Session # 3:

Township Committee reviewed worksheets prepared by CFO Hart. Amount to be raised by taxes for 2016 is \$1,530,983.02 which is an increase of \$143,252.82 from the 2015 budget. There is a 2 cent increase for 2016. Mayor Pfefferle attended a budget meeting at Del Val Regional HS. The Alexandria Township share of school taxes has decreased for 2016. The School Tax Rate will be \$37.00 per \$100,000.00. The Township Committee will begin the budget process for 2017 at the end of this year and look into a 5 year outlook for budget purposes.

Comm. Garay made a motion, seconded by Comm. Abraham to approve the Budget Worksheets for the 2016 budget.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Mr. Schick showed the Township Committee photos from 2010 of Creek Road and recent photos of Creek Road from a few weeks ago to compare deterioration over the years. Mr. Schick also noted that Rick Road-Section 1 was done in 1998 and has lasted from then until 2015 when DPW Foreman Griffith wanted to overlay the blacktop. Mr. Schick noted that it's been only 20 years since the work was done and the road hasn't held up to its expectancy. Mr. Schick commended Road Chair Garay on a job well done.

- Mayor Pfefferle went out to Oak Lane to evaluate the road and noted that the road is not in bad shape. There are small sections of road that could be patched.

Comm. Abraham made a motion, seconded by Comm. Garay to move to Executive Session.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

Open Public Meetings Act RESOLUTION- Executive Session

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 2:4-12, Open Public Meetings Act, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Alexandria, County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of the hereinafter specified subject matters.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:

_____ A confidential or excluded matter under Federal or State Law or Court Rule.

_____ A matter involving information that may impair the Township's rights to receive funds from the United States Government.

_____ A matter constituting an unwarranted invasion of an individual's privacy rights.

_____ Collective Bargaining Agreement or negotiation of the Agreement.

_____ Matters involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds which it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion were disclosed.

_____ Tactics and techniques to protect the safety and property of the public, including investigations of violations or potential violations of the law.

___X___ Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations in which the public body is or may become a party.

DPW Contract

_____ Matters falling within the attorney-client privilege.

_____ Personnel matters involving a specific employee or officer of the Township.
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_____ Deliberations of the Township occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific penalty or suspension or loss of a license or permit.

3. It is anticipated at this time that the above matter will be made public: at the conclusion of the litigation and at such time as attorney client confidentiality is no longer needed to protect confidentiality and litigation strategy.
4. The executive session minutes will be placed on file in the township clerk's office, and will be available to the public as provided for by New Jersey law.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately .

Comm. Abraham made a motion, seconded by Comm. Garay to return to Public Session.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

MOTIONS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Township Committee will ask Township Clerk Bobrowski to modify the Resolution that was prepared by Labor Attorney Taddeo. Line 7 of the Resolution reads that the last year of the salary increases is 202, should read 2020 for a 1 % increase. The Resolution will be presented at the Township Committee meeting on April 13, 2016.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The following matters were discussed in Executive Session:

- **DPW Contract/Contract Negotiations:**

Matter to stay in Executive Session

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Comm. Abraham made a motion, seconded by Comm. Garay to adjourn.

Roll Call: Aye: Garay, Abraham, Pfefferle

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Motion Carried

Meeting Adjourned at 7:37 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Michele Bobrowski, Township Clerk

I hereby certify that I have reviewed these Minutes of the Township Committee Meeting of April 6, 2016 and certify that said Minutes were approved unanimously by the Township on the 11th day of May 2016.

R. Christian Pfefferle, Mayor

Dated: _____